patels to keep a register showing all timber removed from occupants' lands. This register was also being signed by the taluk officers. The same practice may now be brought into force, so as to minimise the inconvenience caused to the occupants.

Reply of Government.—This is not feasible.

Subject No. 10.

Introduction of village Munsiff's Court.

Mr. Madappa of Mysore Taluk.
,, Hutcheeregowda of Gubbi Taluk

Summary of discussion.—At present patels generally are intelligent and literate. They may be made village munsiffs, being empowered to entertain and decide civil suits the subject matter of which is less than Rs. 10, with the help of three Panchayets.

Messrs. Madappa and Huetcheeregowda spoke in favour, and Mr. Srinivasa Rao of Chikmagalur against the proposal.

Reply of Government.—The subject has been already discussed last year. No action can be taken at present.

Subject No. 11.

Village Punchayet Act for the Mysore State.

Messrs. Guru Rao Padmanna, and Chendrasekharaiya of Nanjangud Taluk. K. Krishnamurti Rao of Magadi

Summary of discussion.—The Village Panchayet Act may be introduced into the Mysore Province for the benefit of the public as they are now put to vain expense on account of the court costs for seeking redress in the Munsiffs' Courts even in petty cases.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done now. A reply was given last year to that effect.

Subject No. 12.

Police Regulation.
Mr. E. R. George (Kolar Gold Fields Mining Board)

Summary of discussion.—The early introduction of the Regulation is requested in order that the hands of the Police and Sanitary Board may be strengthened.

Reply of Government.—The necessity for the early introduction of the Police Regulation is recognized by Government, and its revision is now in the hands of a special committee. Efforts will be made to soon pass the Regulation.

Subject No. 13.

Rules *in re* Trade in Illicit Gold.

Mr. Seenappa, Shanbhog of Hoskote.
,, Ramachendrappa, District Fund Member of Devanhalli.
,, Kharebhame Narasimaiya Setty of Closepet.
Messrs Desakulakarani Dasappa and Chennalingappa of Nelamangala.
Mr. C. B. Gopal Rao, Kolar Municipality.
,, Mudrajappa, Kolar Municipality.
,, B. G. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—The existing rules inculpating illicit traders in Kolar Field gold is detrimental to that branch of trade itself as pure gold is likely to be confounded with Field gold and ordinary people cannot easily distinguish it. The rules may therefore be revised and modified so as not to affect *bona fide* traders and purchasers.

Facilities might be given for the people to get suspicious gold examined by the State Geologist.

Mr. Gopala Rao said that the law may be made applicable only to sponge gold which cannot be had in the market for sale but not to bar gold which should not be seized.

Section 411 of the I. P. C. may be made non-cognizable as regards gold.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao said that some officer may be appointed to assay and certify gold not to be Kolar gold on payment.